REMARKS

We are in receipt of the Office Action dated September 23, 2003, and the above amendments and following remarks are made in light thereof.

Claims 1-26 are pending in the application. Pursuant to the Office Action, Claims 1, 2, and 23-26 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by <u>Cairns et al.</u> 6,437,767. Claims 3-10 stand rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over <u>Cairns et al.</u> in view of <u>Akebi et al.</u> 5,825,342. Claims 11-22 stand rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over <u>Cairns et al.</u> in view of <u>Yamazaki et al.</u> 6,384,886.

By the foregoing amendment, Claims 1, 2, and 23-25 have been amended, and Claim 26 cancelled. The amended claims recite that the selection signal to the first gate signal line Gr+1L rises to a static state after the selection signal to the first signal line GrL falls, and the selection signal to the first gate signal line Gr+1R rises to a static state after the selection signal to the first signal line GrR falls. This feature is supported by the specification, page 9, lines 17-24 to page 10, lines 1 to 2. The Carins et al. reference relied upon by the Examiner does not take into consideration this feature called for by the amended claims. As the remaining claims are dependent from either Claim 1 or 2, these claims should also be allowable for at least the same reason.

Applicant believes that, in view of the Amendment, the application is now in condition for allowance, and an early Office Action in this regard is earnestly solicited.

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